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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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Fred:

1. I am attaching comments offered by the Director of Logistics as well as the Office of Communications. I commend them to your reading. Several points, however, I do want to emphasize. The construction schedule, as reflected in your referenced document, is too short to do the job. I urge that we do not place in concrete a schedule we know that we cannot meet beforehand and, while there is a tendency to pad, you would be well advised to stretch it further than what you now contemplate. My second point reiterates Commo's concern about exposing 21 of their people publicly should the project move in that direction. Hence, we should know before we get involved if the project and people will be "public" or whether we will indeed keep some semblance of cover and anonymity about our people.

2. You will note as the Director of Logistics points out certain advantages in organizing [redacted] under a presently existing structure of the DDO rather than having to create a support capability as an adjunct to the DCI Staff.

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3. Because of the high attention that this activity will receive, we urge that proper consideration be given to providing cover for our personnel. To do otherwise will "burn them" for future overseas utilization.

/s/John F. Blake  
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Administration

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